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MISSION COVERAGE INDEX  
MISSIONS [REDACTED] 1064 AND 1065

27 JUNE 1964



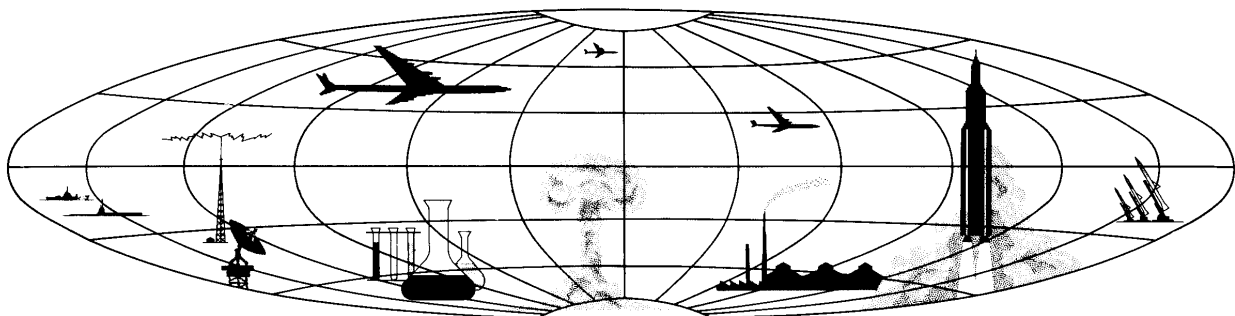
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## PREFACE

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THIS MISSION COVERAGE INDEX (MCI) LISTS THE INTELLIGENCE TARGETS IMAGED ON THE PHOTOGRAPHY OF [REDACTED] MISSIONS 1064 AND 1065 DATED 27 JUNE 1964 COVERING LAOS. ITEMS ARE ARRANGED IN THREE SECTIONS --

SECTION I PROVIDES SHORT DESCRIPTIONS FOR NEWLY IDENTIFIED TARGETS AND PREVIOUSLY REPORTED TARGETS SHOWING CHANGE, AND ALSO PROVIDES ORDER OF BATTLE INFORMATION.

SECTION II PROVIDES A LISTING OF THOSE TARGETS WHICH REFLECT NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES FROM THE MOST ADEQUATE PREVIOUS DESCRIPTION. THE MCI IN WHICH THIS DESCRIPTION APPEARS IS DESIGNATED BY THE APPROPRIATE MISSION NUMBER, PREFIXED BY THE LETTERS NAC AND APPEARING AS THE LAST ENTRY ON THE PHOTO REFERENCE LINE. MILITARY INSTALLATIONS WHERE THERE IS NO SIGNIFICANT CHANGE IN FACILITIES AND WHERE NO ORDER OF BATTLE CAN BE DETERMINED ARE LISTED UNDER THIS SECTION.

TARGETS IN EACH SECTION ARE ARRANGED  
1) BY COUNTRY, 2) WITHIN THE COUNTRY  
ACCORDING TO SUBJECT, 3) WITHIN THE  
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COUNTRY ACCORDING TO SUBJECT, 3) WITHIN THE  
SUBJECT BY WAC AREA, AND 4) WITHIN THE WAC  
AREA BY GEOGRAPHIC COORDINATES IN ASCENDING  
ORDER. AN EXPLANATION OF COLUMN HEADINGS AND  
PHOTO REFERENCES USED IN PRESENTING THE

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INFORMATION IS CONTAINED IN THE APPENDIX. THE MAP BASE USED (WHEN AVAILABLE) FOR THE DERIVATION OF COORDINATES IN THIS MCI IS THE LATEST EDITION OF THE AMS SERIES L509, SCALE 1/250,000 AND L004, 1/50,000.

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## SECTION I

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	Target	Coordinates	WAC	Target Numbers	
				BE	NPIC
	<p>—LAOS—</p> <p>AIR INSTALLATIONS</p> <p>BAN THANG AREA, LANDING STRIP (2)</p> <p>ONE NM EAST OF BANG THANG.</p> <p>NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES SINCE</p> <p>NUMEROUS WEAPON EMPLACEMENTS AND PERSONNEL TRENCHES NW OF NORTH END OF THE RUNWAY.</p> <p>AIRCRAFT -- ONE DERELICT C-47 SOUTH OF THE SOUTH END OF THE RUNWAY.</p> <p>MILITARY INSTALLATIONS</p> <p>VANG VIENG, MILITARY COMPLEX</p> <p>.5 NM NE OF VANG VIENG AT UTM</p> <p>STRONGPOINT CONTAINS 13 BUILDINGS PARTIALLY ENCIRCLED BY TRENCH WITH NUMEROUS FIRING BAYS.</p> <p>ONE PT 76 OBSERVED.</p> <p>NEWLY IDENTIFIED STRONGPOINT 3.7 NM NORTH OF VANG VIENG ON ROUTE 13 AT UTM</p> <p>CONSISTS OF 2 GUN EMPLACEMENTS OCCUPIED BY FA HOWITZERS (POSSIBLY US-TYPE 105 MM), A REVETMENT CONTAINING PROBABLY CANVAS-COVERED AMMUNITION, 20 BUILDINGS/SHELTERS (2 INCOMPLETE), AND EXTENSIVE TRENCHING WITH SMALL ARMS FIRING POSITIONS.</p> <p>(SEE ATTACHMENTS 1 AND 2)</p> <p>ROUTE 13 AREA, STRONGPOINTS/FORTIFIED VILLAGES</p> <p>FIVE STRONGPOINTS LOCATED WEST OF BAN PHO</p>	<p>1925N 10304E</p> <p>1855N 10227E</p> <p>1935N 10215E</p>	<p>0617</p> <p>0617</p> <p>0617</p>		<p>427-C</p> <p>203</p> <p>207-A</p>

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				BE	NPIC
25X1D	KHAM ALONG ROUTE 13. (REFERENCED FROM BAN PHO KHAM.)				
25X1D	STRONGPOINT A (2.3 NM SW AT [REDACTED] -- OBLONG ENTRENCHED STRONGPOINT CONTAINS 10 BUILDINGS, NUMEROUS SHEDS/HUTS, AND NUMEROUS FIRING BAYS.				
25X1D	STRONGPOINT B (2.2 NM SW AT [REDACTED] -- CIRCULAR ENTRENCHED STRONGPOINT CONTAINS 7 BUILDINGS, APPROXIMATELY 6 SHEDS/HUTS, AND NUMEROUS FIRING BAYS.				
25X1D	STRONGPOINT C (2.1 NM SW AT [REDACTED] -- PARTIALLY ENTRENCHED MILITARY CAMP/ STRONGPOINT CONTAINS 2 LARGE SUPPORT/ ADMINISTRATION BUILDINGS, 18 HUTS/SHEDS, AND NUMEROUS FIRING BAYS.				
25X1D	STRONGPOINT D (2.2 NM SW AT [REDACTED] -- SMALL CIRCULAR ENTRENCHED STRONGPOINT CONTAINS 3 HUTS/SHEDS.				
25X1D	STRONGPOINT E (2.6 NM WEST AT [REDACTED] -- CIRCULAR ENTRENCHED STRONGPOINT CONTAINS 12 BUILDINGS, NUMEROUS SMALL SHEDS, AND NUMEROUS FIRING BAYS.				
25X1D	[REDACTED]				
25X1D	LUANG PRABANG AREA, MILITARY COMPLEX NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES SINCE [REDACTED] FOUR CARGO TRUCKS AND ONE JEEP OBSERVED.	1953N 10210E	0617		115-B

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25X1D [REDACTED]	1924N 10301E	0617		427-I
BAN THANG AREA, STRONGPOINTS THREE STRONGPOINTS IN VICINITY OF BAN THANG. (REFERENCED FROM BAN THANG.)				
25X1D STRONGPOINT A (1.1 NM SE AT UTM [REDACTED] -- UNOCCUPIED CIRCULAR STRONGPOINT WITH NUMEROUS FIRING BAYS.				
25X1D STRONGPOINT B (1.4 NM SE AT UTM [REDACTED] -- UNOCCUPIED CIRCULAR STRONGPOINT WITH NUMEROUS FIRING BAYS.				
25X1D STRONGPOINT C (1.4 NM SE AT UTM [REDACTED] -- UNOCCUPIED RECTANGULAR STRONGPOINT WITH NUMEROUS FIRING BAYS.				
25X1D [REDACTED]				
MISCELLANEOUS				
ROUTE 7 ROUTE 13, ROAD CONDITION ROUTE 7 OBSERVED FROM 19-27N 102-27E TO 19-27N 102-29E. SINGLE-LANE, NATURAL SURFACE, SEASONAL ROAD WITH NUMEROUS RUTS OBSERVED. ROAD APPEARS TO BE SERVICEABLE. NO TRAFFIC OBSERVED.				
25X1D [REDACTED]				
ROUTE 13 OBSERVED FROM 18-55N 102-27E TO 18-58N 102-27E. SINGLE-LANE, NATURAL				



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Target	Coordinates	WAC	Target Numbers	
			BE	NPIC
<p>SURFACE, SEASONAL ROAD WITH NUMEROUS WATER-FILLED RUTS AND POTHOLES OBSERVED. THROUGH-TYPE BRIDGE OF 3-SPAN STEEL CONSTRUCTION OBSERVED AT 18-58N 102-27E. ROUTE 13 ALSO OBSERVED FROM 19-33N 102-16E TO 19-34N 102-13E. HARD SURFACE, ALL-WEATHER ROAD, SERVICEABLE.</p> 				

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				BE	NPIC
	-LAOS-				
	URBAN COMPLEXES			25X1A	
25X1D	LUANG PRABANG COMPLEX [REDACTED]	1953N 10208E	0617	[REDACTED]	115
	AIR INSTALLATIONS				
25X1D	LUANG PRABANG AIRFIELD [REDACTED]	1953N 10210E	0617	[REDACTED]	115-A
25X1D	BAN THANG AREA, LANDING STRIP (1) [REDACTED]	1925N 10304E	0617		427-B

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### COLUMN HEADINGS

City, Installation--This column contains the name of the city or town nearest the installation, followed by the name of the installation. If the name of the installation is not known, it is titled according to its function. Where appropriate, the city and installation names are followed by a capsule description.

Coordinates--Coordinates are referenced to the SW corner of the minute square. When the subject installation covers a wide area, coordinates are given for the approximate center of the installation.

WAC--This column provides the World Aeronautical Chart number for that area in which the subject installation is situated.

Installation Numbers--This column is divided into two subcolumns. The first subcolumn lists, when known, the BE installation number assigned to the installation. The second subcolumn lists the installation number assigned by NPIC. Installation numbers, when used to reference an item, should be prefixed by the appropriate WAC number, since installation numbers are repeated from WAC to

WAC. For example, there is an NPIC target number 0499-15-A and an NPIC target number 0498-15-A. In each instance, the NPIC installation number is 15-A, but the installations appear on different WAC charts.

### COMOR TARGET NUMBERS

Target numbers assigned by the Committee on Over-head Reconnaissance (COMOR), when available, are listed directly above the photo reference data.

### PHOTO REFERENCE DATA

The photo reference data indicates the frame(s) on which the installation appears.

### CONDITIONS AFFECTING PHOTOGRAPHY

Following the photo reference data, symbols indicate conditions which affect the appearance of the installation on the photography. The symbols are: C (clear); SC (scattered clouds); HC (heavy clouds); SC-HC (scattered-to-heavy clouds); H (haze); CS (cloud shadow); SD (semi-darkness); O (obliquity); and PQ (poor image quality).

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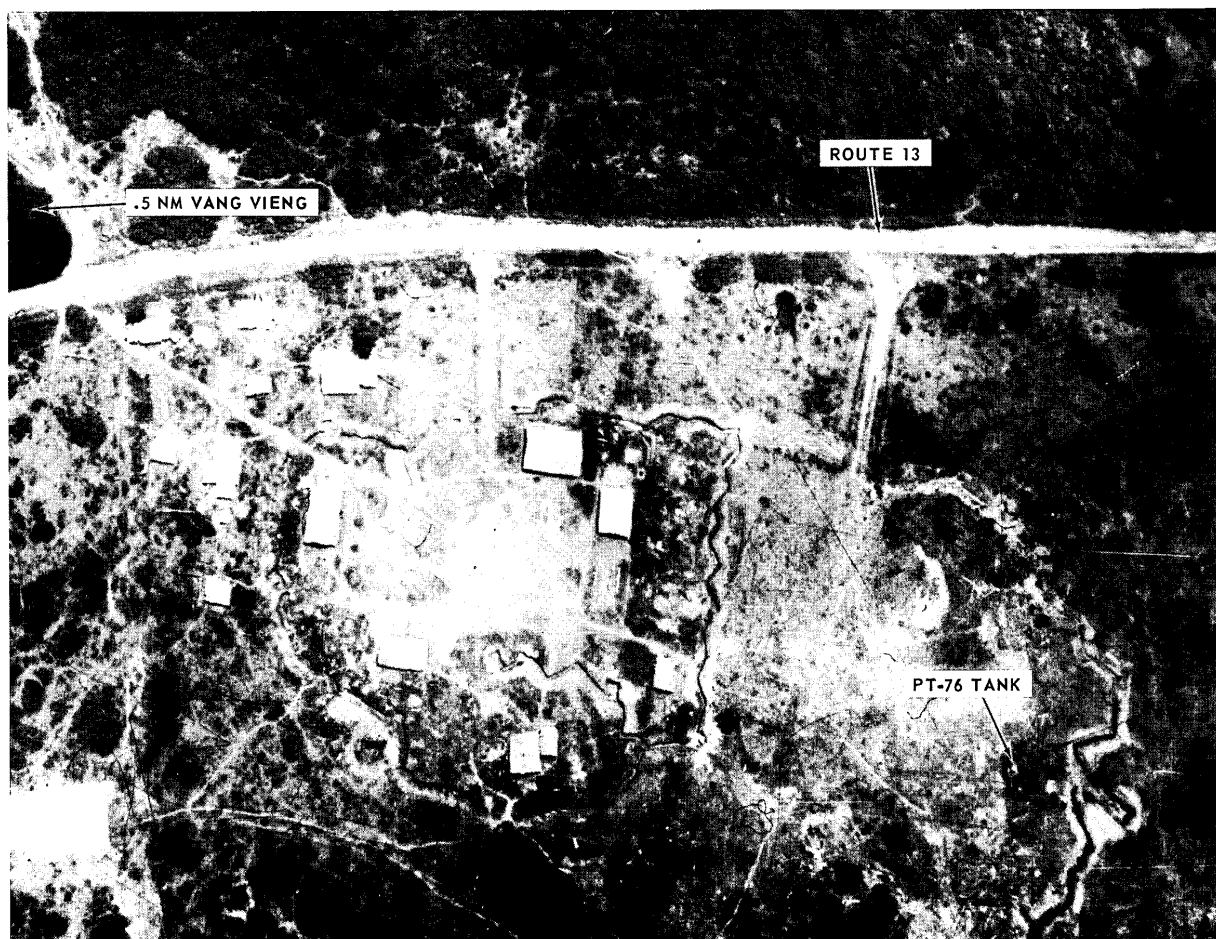
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ATTACHMENT 1



STRONGPOINT, VANG VIENG, LAOS

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ATTACHMENT 2



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STRONGPOINT, VANG VIENG, LAOS

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